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Rev. J. D. Shirey, Vice-President..... *Newberry, S. C.*
Rev. H. S. Wingard, Recording Secretary..... *Pomaria, S. C.*
Rev. J. A. Sligh, Corresponding Secretary..... *Prosperity, S. C.*
Major P. E. Wise, Treasurer of Synod..... *Prosperity, S. C.*
Mr. J. F. Schirmer, Treasurer Seminary Fund... *Charleston, S. C.*
Mr. U. B. Whites, Treasurer Missionary Fund.... *Prosperity, S. C.*
Mr. O. L. Schumpert, Treasurer Endowment Fund. *Newberry, S. C.*

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Rev. J. A. Sligh, Rev. H. W. Kuhns, Rev. H. S. Wingard, Rev. Prof. G. W. Holland, Mr. W. W. Houseal, Capt. O. L. Schumpert, Mr. U. B. Whites.

STANDING RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That hereafter any minister accepting of a charge within our bounds, shall not, under penalty of being censured by Synod, enter upon his labor until the charge shall have made a satisfactory settlement with their former pastor, and that this shall be considered the standing rule among us, and printed on the face of our minutes from year to year.

MINUTES OF SYNOD.

St. Matthew's Church,
Orangeburg County, S. C., October 14, 1877.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of South Carolina, and adjacent States, met in St. Matthew's Church, Orangeburg County, S. C., on Tuesday, October 16, 1877, and began the sessions of its Fifty-third Annual Convention.

FIRST SESSION.

11 O'clock, A. M.

Synod was opened by the President in the usual form. The roll was called, and the following registry made:

MINISTERS.	WHEN ENTERED.	POSTOFFICE.
Rev. J. H. Honour, D. D	1834	Charleston, S. C.
" Edwin A. Bolles	1835	Columbia, S. C.
" D. P. Camman*	1835	Troy, Ill.
" E. Caughman	1842	Leesville, S. C.
" C. F. Bansemer	1842	Savannah, Ga.
" D. Shealy	1844	Spring Hill, S. C.
" J. H. Bailey	1846	Lexington, S. C
" E. Dufford	1848	Fort Motte, S. C.
" J. P. Smeltzer, D. D.*	1848	Walhalla, S. C.
" J. F. Probst	1851	Midway, S. C.
" J. H. W. Werts	1852	Fort Motte, S. C.
" B. F. Berry	1854	Midway, S. C.
" J. Hawkins	1855	Columbia, S. C.
" W. S. Bowman, D. D	1856	Charleston, S. C.
" A. W. Lindler†	1856	Leesville, S. C.
" H. W. Kuhns	1858	Newberry, S. C.

* Absent and excused. † Absent and not excused.

Rev. B. Kreps*	1860	Graniteville, S. C.
" J. D. Bowles	1861	Prosperity, S. C.
" J. D. Shirey	1861	Newberry, S. C.
" J. A. Sligh	1863	Prosperity, S. C.
" A. D. L. Moser	1863	Leesville, S. C.
" G. W. Holland	1864	Newberry, S. C.
" D. Kyser	1866	Lexington, S. C.
" S. T. Hallman	1868	Orangeburg, S. C.
" H. S. Wingard	1870	Pomaria, S. C.
" C. P. Boozer	1871	Leesville, S. C.
" G. A. Hough	1871	Pomaria, S. C.
" Z. W. Bedenbaugh*	1874	Prosperity, S. C.
" J. B. Haskell	1875	Charleston, S. C.
" S. P. Hughes	1876	Newberry, S. C.
" A. R. Rude, D. D.	1842	Columbia, S. C.
" L. Muller, D. D	1842	Charleston, S. C.
" E. T. Horn	1872	Charleston, S. C.

LAY DELEGATES.	POSTOFFICE.
Mr. T. L. Black*	Ridge Spring, S. C.
" D. Schumpert	Reeder's Store, S. C.
" James E. Rawl	Lexington, S. C.
" John Von Hodeln*	Walhalla.
" Wm. J. Bookhardt	St. Mathew's, S. C.
Hon. G. Leaphart	Columbia, S. C.
Capt. G. S. Hacker	Charleston, S. C.
Fred. A. Schumpert	Newberry, S. C.
Mr. Thos. D. Buzhardt	Newberry, S. C.
" Luther B. Dreher	Pine Ridge, S. C.
" Jas. R. Bouknight	Leesville, S. C.
" John J. Taylor	Lexington, S. C.
Dr. M. K. Holman	St. Mathew's, S. C.
Mr. Jacob Setzler	Pomaria, S. C.
" S. S. Shealey	Leesville, S. C.
Capt. F. H. W. Briggman	Orangeburg, S. C.
Mr. Ben. Lucas	Charleston, S. C.
" G. T. Berg	Columbia, S. C.
" C. Ehrhardt	Midway, S. C.
" J. E. Rawl	Rocky Well, S. C.

* Absent.

MEMBERS EX-OFFICIO

Maj. P. E. Wise.....Treasurer of Synod.
Capt. O. L. Schumpert.....Treasurer of Endowment Fund.
J. F. Schirmer, Esq.....Treasurer Seminary Fund.
U. B. Whites, Esq.....Treasurer Missionary Fund.

The President read his annual report. which was received and referred to a committee.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

My Brethren of the Clergy and Laity :

After the lapse of another year, God, in His good providence, has permitted us to assemble in synodical convention. I believe that most of the clergy composing this synod are present, with their deputies, who represent the churches that compose the respective pastorates.

During the daily sessions of this church-court we should ponder these precepts of the devout psalmist and the Apostle St. Paul—"Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity ! Let brotherly love continue ;" yea, we should also pray God to deliver us "From all blindness of heart ; from pride, vain glory, and hypocrisy ; from envy, hatred and malice ; and all uncharitableness."

May God so direct us in all our deliberations that we may do nothing unadvisedly or lightly, but reverently, discreetly, advisedly, and in the fear of God.

DEATH.

It is made my painful duty to remind you that since we last met, our brother, Rev. Paul Derrick, fell a victim to death, after a protracted illness, during the month of January last. He has left a fond wife and several children to mourn his loss. We deeply sympathise with them in their bereavement. This synod should pass suitable resolutions to the memory of our faithful brother.

OFFICIAL ACTS.

(1.) Rev. Dr. A. R. Rude, having received a unanimous call from the Evangelical Lutheran congregation at Columbia, S. C., he returned from Texas on the first of November, 1876, and resumed the pastoral charge of this church.

(2.) The Rev. Edward T. Horn, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, informed me by letter, dated Charleston, S. C., November 20, 1876, that he had commenced his labors as the pastor of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran congregation in that city. On December 4th, 1876, he forwarded me his letter of dismission from Rev. Dr. E. Greenwald, President German Evangelical Lutheran

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Ministerium of Pennsylvania and Adjacent States; whereupon I received him as a member of the Synod and Ministerium of South Carolina, and herewith submit his credentials for your approval.

(3.) The Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh, in his letter of November 6, 1876, said: "I write to inform you, as President of Synod, that the Newville congregation at Prosperity, Newberry County, S. C., have engaged my services for the ensuing synodical year as a supply."

(4.) November 22d, 1876, Rev. E. Caughman, Leesville, Lexington County, S. C., reports that he has accepted a call from Mt. Calvary and Good Hope churches for one year.

(5.) The Rev. A. D. L. Moser, Leesville, Lexington County, S. C., January 1, 1877, reports: "That he has accepted a call to preach at St. Peter's and Luther Chapel."

(6.) The Rev. B. F. Berry, Midway, Barnwell County, S. C., February 17th, 1877, said: "Pastorate No. 1 is vacant, and two of the congregations have made arrangements for a supply until synod. The third congregation *desires* that I shall supply them until synod. Shall I attend to this duty?" I advised him to comply with the request of the third congregation of Pastorate No. 1.

(7.) The Rev. B. Kreps, at Graniteville, Aiken County, S. C., wrote March 12, 1877, "that he had made arrangements to supply the Lutheran church at Graniteville, and that he had commenced his labors on the second Lord's Day in February."

(8.) The Rev. John Bachman Haskell wrote Orangeburg, S. C., March 12, 1877, "that he had made arrangements with Pastorate No. 1, Barnwell County, S. C., to preach once a month at Mt. Pleasant and St. Nichol's Lutheran churches, till the close of the synodical year."

(9.) The Rev. S. S. Rahn, having applied for a dismission for the purpose of uniting with the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of North Carolina, I immediately forwarded him an honorable dismission to that body.

(10.) I was officially informed by Rev. J. F. Probst, August 14th, 1877, that he had resigned the Lutheran church at Walhalla, Oconee County, S. C., to take effect on the 16th of October, 1877, and that he had accepted a unanimous call from Pastorate No. 1.

(11.) A letter dated Troy, Illinois, August 2d, 1877, was received from Rev. D. P. Camman, in which he informed me that he intends remaining in connection with the South Carolina Synod till his congregation, which is a new one, unites with a synod in Illinois. His letter was a reply to me, in reference to the report of Committee on Letters, No. 3 in minutes of Synod for 1876. I recommend that he be excused from attending this meeting of Synod.

(12.) The Rev. Henry W. Kuhns, in his letter to me of August 25, 1877, reports the dedication, by him, of Mt. Pleasant Evangel-

ical Lutheran Church, near the Saluda River, on the Polk's Ferry Road, in Lexington County, S. C., on the 24th day of June, 1877.

(13.) These facts are gathered from a letter to the Lutheran Visitor from Rev. J. H. Bailey. He said: "In obedience to the instructions of the Central Conference of the South Carolina Synod, I attended on the third Sunday in December, 1876, to the dedication of the little church, formerly known here as "Poor Hope," but now as 'Jerusalem Church.' We organized with twenty-five members, with prospects for a large increase."

(14.) The Rev. John Bachman Haskell, under date Orangeburg, S. C., September 8th, 1877, said: "I beg leave to announce that on last Sunday, September 2d, the congregation of the Orangeburg Lutheran Church accepted my resignation, previously tendered. This resignation takes effect on September 2d."

(15.) Rev. B. Kreps, in his letter of October 2d, 1877, says: "That St. James' Church, at Graniteville, and the congregation at Dean Swamp, have given him a call to serve them as pastor for the year 1878. He will commence his labors as pastor after Synod."

INSTALLATION.

The Rev. Edward T. Horn was installed the pastor of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Charleston, S. C., on Sabbath 11th February, 1877, by Rev. Edwin A. Bolles, President of the Synod, and assisted by Rev. John H. Honour and Rev. Wm. S. Bowman.

CHURCHES VACANT.

The German Lutheran Church in Walhalla is made vacant by the resignation of Rev. J. F. Probst, and the English Lutheran Church in Orangeburg is also made vacant by the resignation of the Rev. J. B. Haskell.

CENTRAL CONFERENCE OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA SYNOD.

Pursuant to an order of the South Carolina Synod, as the President of the Synod, I organized a new conference at Providence Evangelical Lutheran Church, Lexington County, S. C., on Tuesday, November 28th, 1876. The following officers were elected: Rev. D. Kyser, President; A. D. Haltiwanger, Secretary; Benjamin Rawl, Treasurer. It was

Resolved, That this Conference be known and distinguished as the Central Conference of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of South Carolina.

GENERAL SYNOD.

The regular biennial meeting of the General Synod South will convene at Luther Chapel, in the town of Newberry, S. C., during the month of May next. It will be necessary for this Synod to elect delegates to the General Synod.

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

It affords me pleasure to state that the Theological Seminary of the Southern Lutheran Church, at Salem, Virginia, is in a flourishing condition. This institution is recommended to the continued patronage of this Synod.

THE CAUSE OF MISSIONS.

It is recommended that a missionary be appointed by the Synod to labor within its bounds.

BIBLE DISTRIBUTION.

The work of Bible distribution is worthy of the attention of all our churches. It is recommended to the churches of Synod, especially in the rural districts or pastorates, to adopt measures for supplying with the Bible all destitute families within their respective limits.

THE LUTHERAN VISITOR.

The Visitor, we are happy to say, is still maintaining its high churchly, religious and moral character, and well deserves the support of our people; but we regret to learn that its circulation within the bounds of our Synod is far from what it ought to be; wherefore we would take this occasion to impress on our pastors and church councils that they make special efforts to introduce it in every family in the church.

Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

EDWIN A. BOLLES,
President of the Evangelical Lutheral Synod and Ministerium
Of South Carolina and Adjacent States.

The Synodical sermon was preached by Rev. Edwin A. Bolles, from Matthew 7:21.

Synod adjourned until 2 o'clock P. M.

Prayer by Rev. W. S. Bowman, D. D.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Synod re-assembled. Prayer by Rev. J. D. Shirey.

The following officers were elected:

President—Rev. J. H. Honour, D. D.
Vice-President—Rev. J. D. Shirey.
Recording Secretary—Rev. H. S. Wingard.
Corresponding Secretary—Rev. J. A. Sligh.

The election of the treasurers was made the special order for Wednesday, at 9½ o'clock A. M.

Revs. L. Muller, D. D., and Edwin A. Bolles were excused from further attendance on Synod.

Rev. J. P. Margart presented his credentials, and was received as delegate from the Georgia Synod.

The reports of the Treasurers of the Endowment Fund and of Synod, of the Corresonding Secretary, and of the Executive Committee on Missions, were severally read and referred to appropriate committees.

Synod adjourned to meet at half-past nine o'clock A. M. tomorrow.

Prayer by Rev. E. T. Horn.

SECOND SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1877.

The Synod met, and was opened with prayer by Rev. E. Caughman. The roll was called.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

The President then appointed the following committees:

On President's Report—Revs. A. R. Rude, D. D., J. D. Bowles, and Mr. William J. Bookhardt.

On Minutes of Last Meeting—Revs. J. B. Haskell, A. D. L. Moser, and Mr. James R. Bouknight.

On Letters and Excuses, Nos. 1, 2 *and* 3—Revs. J. F. Probst, J. H. W. Werts, and Mr. C. Ehrhardt.

Nos. 4, 5 *and* 6—Revs. S. T. Hallman, D. Kyser, and Mr. J. J. Taylor.

On Nos. 7 *and* 8—Revs. H. W. Kuhns, S. P. Hughes, and Dr. M. K. Holman.

On the State of Religion—Revs. W. S. Bowman, D. D., E. Caughman, and Mr. D. Schumpert.

On the Report of the Treasurer of Synod—Rev. E. T. Horn, Mr. T. D. Buzhardt, and Mr. Jacob Schirmer.

On the Report of the Treasurer of the Seminury Fund—Rev. J. Hawkins, Hon. G. Leaphart, and O. L. Schumpert, Esq.

On the Report of the Treasurer of the Endowment Fund—Rev. J. D. Shirey, Mr. Ben. Lucas, and Capt. G. S. Hacker.

On the Report of the Treasurer of the Missionary Fund—Rev. J. A. Sligh, Mr. G. T. Berg, and Mr. Fred. A. Schumpert.

On Pastoral Districts—Revs. J. D. Bowles, D. Kyser, and Mr. Jacob E. Rawl.

On Appropriations—Revs. C. P. Boozer, G. A. Hough, and Mr. L. B. Dreher.

On Reports of Conferences—Revs. S. P. Hughes, D. Shealy, and Mr. S. S. Shealey.

On Corresponding Secretary's Report—Revs. A. D. L. Moser, B. F. Berry, and J. Setzler.

On the Report of the Executive Committee on Missions—Revs. J. D. Shirey, J. F. Probst, and Mr. James E. Rawl.

The following were then adopted:

Resolved, That the three front rows of pews, together with the pews on either side of the altar, be established as the bar of the Synod, and that all members of Synod be required to be seated within the said bar.

Resolved, 1. That the President shall appoint at every meeting of Synod a committee of five, whose duty it shall be to examine the bonds given by the treasurers of the several funds. 2. That this committee shall require of each treasurer a bond, in double the amount of the marketable value of the assets in his care, except in the case of the Treasurer of the Seminary Fund, whose bond shall be in the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars. The sureties on these bonds shall be annually submitted to the approval of this committee. 3. Whenever the marketable value of the assets of the Bachman Endowment Fund shall exceed ten thousand dollars, a second treasurer shall be appointed.

Mr. J. N. Epting was received as commissioner from the Dean Swamp Mission.

The following treasurers were elected:

Of Synod—Major P. E. Wise.

Of the Seminary Fund—Mr. J. F. Schirmer.

Of the Endowment Fund—O. L. Schumpert, Esq.

Of the Missionary Fund—U. B. Whites, Esq.

The Treasurers of the Missionary Fund and of the Seminary Fund read their reports, which were referred to the proper committees.

Rev. J. D. Shirey presented the following report:

The committee appointed by your body in April last, at the extra session of Synod, held at Newberry, S. C., to receive the guarantee from the citizens of Newberry for the amount of their subscription offered to Synod, in consideration of the location of Newberry College in their midst, would respectfully report that they have discharged that duty, and herewith submit the bond, signed by thirty-two citizens.

J. A. Sligh.
J. D. Shirey.
Wm. Haltiwanger.

The following telegram was received:

Present my greetings and excuse to Synod. I cannot attend.

G. D. Bernheim.

The delegate to the North Carolina Synod offered the following report, which was adopted:

Report of the Delegate to the North Carolina Synod.

Your delegate appointed to bear the fraternal greeting of this body to its mother Synod in North Carolina, would report that he attended to the duty assigned him. He was most cordially received, and the words of welcome and of fraternal sympathy with which the President of that body greeted him were, by a unanimous vote, incorporated in their minutes, and made a part of their official proceedings. The brethren of the North Carolina Synod are laboring earnestly, and amid great personal sacrifices, to carry on the Master's work; nor are their labors in vain in the Lord. Whilst this fraternal correspondence is pleasant, and we trust profitable, we hope the day is not distant when these good brethren will be re-united with us in still closer ecclesiastical bonds. Your delegate found many—especially among the laity—who devoutly wished for such a blessed consummation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. S. Bowman.

The report of the Building Committee of Newberry College was received and referred to the following committee: Rev. J. Hawkins, Mr. Ben. Lucas, and Hon. G. Leaphart.

Synod adjourned, to meet at 1½ P. M.

Prayer by Rev. A. D. L. Moser.

Rev. J. D. Shirey preached from Eph. 3:8.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Synod was called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. D. Shealey.

Parochial reports were called for and read.

It was

Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to strike from the parochial reports all amounts reported by pastors to the Endowment Fund not actually paid in cash.

The Committee on the Report of the Treasurer of the Seminary Fund reported as follows:

Your committee, to whom was referred the Report of the Treasurer of the Seminary Fund, have examined the same and found it correct.

Accompanying the report is attached the proper certificate that the assets are all on hand as reported.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Hawkins.
G. Leaphart.
O. L. Schumpert.

DR. *Jacob F. Schirmer, Treasurer, in Account with Theological Seminary.*

1876—October.	Balance in hands		$1,077 31
	October and May—one year's interest on bond of $2,000		160 00
	October and May—one year's interest on bond of $1,400		140 00
	October and May—one year's interest on bond of $500		40 00
	October and May—one year's interest on bond of $861		103 32
	Two years' interest on bond of $250		50 00
	One year's interest on Fire Loan Bonds		203 00
	Half year's interest on bond of $750		37 50
	One year's interest on Atlanta bond, less ex.		79 00
	May—On account of interest on bond of $2,700.		100 00
	January and July—one year's dividend on 46 shares Gas Company 23-34-50		57 50
	January—Half year's dividend on 5 shares Bank of Charleston		15 00
	July—Half year's dividend on 6 shares Bank of Charleston		18 00
	January and July—One year's dividend on 2 shares Union Bank		6 00
	March and September—One year's dividend on 3 N. E. R. R. bonds		120 00
	October and April—One year's dividend on 8 S. C. R. R. bonds		280 00
	Interest on City Stock (less tax)		28 00
			$2,514 63

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1875—October—Paid Prof. Repass one quarter's salary and ex	$125 25		
October—Paid for repairs to Seminary building	38 25		
October—Paid for printing Minutes	34 00		
1876—November—Loaned on note with collaterals	710 31		
1877—January—Paid for 1 share in Bank of Charleston	64 50		
August—Amount loaned on note	800 00		
February—Paid Rev. Repass and ex.	125 25		
May—Paid Rev. Repass and ex	125 30		
August—Paid Rev. Repass and ex	125 30		
September—Paid Rev. Repass and ex	125 30		
October—Incidental expenses past year	15 00		
			$2,288 46
Balance on hand			226 17

ASSETS OF FUNDS OF SEMINARY.

One Personal bond for $2,000 at 8 per cent.....
One personal bond for $1,400 at 10 per cent.....
One personal bond for $2,700 at 10 per cent.....
One personal bond for $861 at 12 per cent.....
One personal bond for $750 at 10 per cent.....
One personal bond for $250 at 10 per cent.....
One note with collaterals, $500, at 8 per cent.....
One note with do., $710 31, at 8 per cent.....
One note for $800 at 7 per cent.....
Eight bonds of S. C. R. R., each $500.....
Five Fire Loan Bonds, each $500.....
Four Fire Loan Bonds, each $100 .....
Three N. E. R. R. bonds, each $500.....
One Atlanta bond, $1,000.....
One non-taxable bond, $100.....
Certificate of City Stock for $650.....
Forty-six shares in Gas Company.....
Six shares in Bank of Charleston.....
Two shares in Union Bank.....

We hereby certify that the above sureties were produced before us, and all found correct.

SAMUEL LORD.
F. C. BLUM.

The Committee on the Report of the Treasurer of the Missionary fund reported as follows:

The committee appointed to examine the report of the Treasurer of the Missionary Fund have discharged their duty, and find the account correct.

J. A. SLIGH.
G. T. BERG.
F. A. SCHUMPERT.

U. B. WHITES IN ACCOUNT WITH THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE S. C. SYNOD.

1876.	Dr.	Cr.
October 10—To balance on hand	199 67	
October 14—To amount received at Synod	298 11	
1877.		
January 15—By cash paid Rev. J. F. Probst		75 00
January 15—By cash paid express on draft		25
April 5—By cash paid Rev. J. F. Probst		75 00
April 5—By cash paid express on draft		25
July 10—By cash paid Rev. J. F. Probst		75 00
July 10—By cash paid express on draft		25
September 25—By cash paid Rev. J. F. Probst.		75 00
September—By cash paid Treasurer Guntoor Mission		36 25
September 25—By cash paid express on draft		25
September 25—To amount received from Rev. J. F. Probst for Sunday School collections	25 00	
		337 25
Amount to balance		185 53
	522 78–	522 78

Correct: G. T. Berg.

CONGREGATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MISSIONARY FUND—(HOME MISSIONS).

Rev. A. R. Rude's Church	20 00
Rev. J. D. Shirey's, Beth Eden	9 40
Rev. J. D. Shirey's, St. Matthew's	5 15
Rev. J. D. Shirey's, Liberty Hill	2 70
Rev. H. S. Wingard's charge	15 50
Rev. J. H. Bailey's, Sandy Run	5 00
Rev. D. Kyser's charge	5 00
Wentworth Street Lutheran Sunday School	10 25
Wentworth Street Lutheran Church	5 00
Rev. J. Hawk's, St Andrew's	5 00
Rev. S. T. Hallman's charge	13 00
Rev. J. D. Bowles' charge	8 00
Rev. J. H. W. Werts', Pine Grove Church	4 15
Rev. J. H. W. Werts', Trinity Church	8 00
Rev. H. W. Kuhn's church	10 00
Rev. C. P. Boozer's, St. Mark's Missionary Society	15 85
Rev. J. A. Sligh's charge	10 00
Newville Church	8 85
Total	165 85

CONGREGATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MISSIONARY FUND—(FOREIGN MISSIONS).

Rev. J. D. Shirey's, Beth Eden	4 70
Rev. J. D. Shirey's, St. Matthew's	2 85
Rev. J. D. Shirey's, Liberty Hill	2 10
Rev. J. F. Probst's, Walhalla church	1 75
Rev. J. D. Bowles' charge	5 00
Rev. C. P. Boozer	75
Pine Grove Sunday School	6 00
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LIST OF ANNUAL MEMBERS OF MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Rev. S. P. Hughes	$1 00	Mr. J. E. Rawl	1 00
Rev. J. H. W. Werts	1 00	Mr. C. Ehrhardt	1 00
Rev. W. S. Bowman	1 00	Mr. W. J. Bookhardt	1 00
Mrs. W. S. Bowman	1 00	Mr. T. W. Holloway	1 00
Mrs. L. C. Werts	1 00	Mrs. A. V. Holloway	1 00
Mrs. M. E. Dreher	1 00	Mrs. L. W. Sellers	1 00
Rev. B. F. Berry	1 00	Mr. W. M. Stoudenmeyer	1 00
Rev. J. B. Haskell	1 00	Dr. M. K. Hollman	1 00
Rev. E. T. Horn	1 00	Miss L. P. Bailey	1 00
Rev. E. Dufford	1 00	Mr. B. Lucas	1 00
Rev. E. Kyser	1 00	Mr. John G. Taylor	1 00
Major P. E. Wise	1 00	Mr. T. D. Buzhardt	1 00
Mr. J. F. Schirmer	1 00	Mr. J. N. Haigler	1 00
Miss M. L. Schirmer	1 00	Mr. F. A. Schumpert	1 00
Mrs. E. C. Tovey	1 00	Rev. H. W. Kuhns	1 00
Mrs. A. E. Boinest	1 00	Mr. J. L. Harmon	1 00
Mrs. Rikard	1 00	Mr. R. H. Zimmerman	1 00
Mrs. Ann Caughman	1 00	Rev. J. H. Honour	1 00
Miss A. Haigler	1 00	Mr. Jacob E. Rawl	1 00
Miss Jane Wissenheint	1 00	Mr. H. C. Haigler	1 00
Miss C. Wissenheint	1 00	Dr. J. L. Shuler	1 00
Rev. J. A. Sligh	1 00	Rev. E. A. Bolles	1 00
Mrs. J. A. Sligh	1 00	Rev. H. S. Wingard	1 00
Mrs. R. Bernhardt	2 00	Rev. C. F. Bansemer	1 00
Miss Kate Summer	1 25	Mrs. M. C. Bolles	1 00
Miss C. P. Summer	1 00	Mrs. E. C. Wingard	1 00
Mrs. A. R. Probst	1 00	Captain G. S. Hacker	1 00
Miss Alice M. Haigler	1 00		
Total Annual Members			57 25
Total Congregational Contributions			165 85
Total Foreign Missions			23 15
			246 25

U. B. WHITES,
Treasurer Missionary Society.

The report of the Committee on the Report of the Building Committee of Newberry College was presented.

Pending the discussion of the report, Synod adjourned to 9½ o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

Prayer by Rev. G. A. Hough.

THIRD SESSION.

October 18, 1877.

Synod was called to order by the President. Prayer by Rev. S. P. Hughes.

The roll was called. The minutes of the second session were approved.

Major P. E. Wise, from Newville congregation, and Captain F. H. W. Briggman, from Orangeburg congregation, were received as delegates of their respective congregations.

Revs. E. Dufford and J. H. Bailey appeared.

Synod resumed the discussion of the report pending on adjournment yesterday.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATEMENT OF BUILDING COMMITTEE.

1. Your committee, to whom was referred the statement of Building Committee of Newberry College, suggest that the statement be published in the Lutheran Visitor.

2. In regard to the request of the Building Committee that the "Synod refund the money already advanced the architect, and to assume the payment of the balance when due," your committee are of the opinion that the Synod, in reserving to itself the right to employ the architect, did not in any sense bind itself to pay that architect out of its synodical funds; nor did it intend to do so.

Signed. J. Hawkins,
G. Leaphart,
B. Lucas.

The report was considered by items, and adopted.

Adjourned.

Rev. J. P. Margart preached from Luke 19: 41, 42.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

1½ O'clock P. M.

Synod was called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. J. Hawkins.

Rev. H. W. Kuhns presented his resignation as Chairman of the Building Committee of Newberry College. It was not accepted.

The Committee on Conferences presented their report, which was received and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE.

Your Committee on Conferences would beg leave to report. The documents placed in their hands were:

The minutes of Newberry conference for the past synodical year. In looking over these documents, we find sure evidence of active work in the Master's cause. Many important subjects are discussed, and essays are read. All of these exercises exert a most wholesome influence on both ministers and laymen. This body is developing in church love, liberality and piety, and memorialize Synod on the subject of "Temperance." We would recommend that Synod express herself on this subject.

Respectfully submitted,

S. P. Hughes.
D. Shealy.
S. S. Shealy.

The Committee on the Report of the Treasurer of the Bachman Endowment Fund reported. The report was received and adopted.

O. L. SCHUMPERT, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE BACHMAN ENDOWMENT FUND OF NEWBERRY COLLEGE, S. C

1876.		
	To amount heretofore reported, Oct. 10, 1876..	$ 911 34
"	To amount received at Lexington, S. C.....	46 55
1877		
April 2—To profit sale on 300 acres land, ⅓ interest..		50 00
Jan. 29—To amount received on Mrs. G. L. Crook's bond		10 00
Jan. 29—To amount received on Abial Lathrop's bond.		20 00
April 5—To amount received in full of John C. Seay's bond		20 00
Apr. 23—To amount received on Mrs. C. Leiding's bond		5 00
Apr. 23—To amount received on Herman Leiding's bond		5 00
To amount received from Rev. S. P. Hughes, Endowment Agent, (less above payments, sixty dollars).....		10,705 00
Oct. 10, 1877.	Total	$11,772 89

ASSETS.

One personal bond with security at 8 per cent.....	$ 800 00
One personal bond at 10 per cent.....	100 00
On deposit People's Savings Bank, Charleston, S. C...	70 50
Two hundred and ninety-two (292) Endowment Bonds, aggregating	10,705 00
Current expenses for 1876–77.....	15 20
Cash on hand, October 10, 1877.....	82 19
	$11,772 89

Respectfully submitted,

O. L. Schumpert,
Endowment Fund Treasurer Newberry College.

We, the Undersigned, members of the Church Council of Luther Chapel, Newberry, S. C., hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing report of O. L. Schumpert, Bachman Endowment Treasurer of Newberry College, and find the same correct, with all the assets on hand, and exhibited to, and examined by us, this 15th day of October, 1877.

D. B. Wheeler,
Wm. W. Houseal,
Deacon and Elder of Luther Chapel.

Test: J. S. Ring.

We, the committee appointed to audit the account of the Bachman Endowment Treasurer of Newberry College, have examined the same and find it correct, and properly vouched.

We take the liberty to recommend that hereafter all investments be made by the Treasurer, with the consent of a committee of three, to be appointed for that purpose.

J. D. Shirey.
Benj. Lucas.
G. S. Hacker.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, We feel it to be a duty that we owe to the church to do all in our power to build up Newberry College; and

Whereas, the establishment of well regulated schools throughout the length and breadth of our church would be favorable to such an end in bringing a greater number of students to the institution; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, from time to time, bring this important matter before our people, and hereby earnestly request them to begin this work now, and to use all their influence to procure well qualified teachers, and to have adopted in their schools such a course of studies as will be preparatory to entering the college.

The Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Newberry College presented his report, which was adopted.

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF NEWBERRY COLLEGE.

Newberry College is again in the town of Newberry, its old place of residence, and in a short time will occupy, if not the same building, one more conveniently arranged and more substantially erected, and that, too, upon the same spot of earth. Here it flourished for a short period prior to the late war, numbering at one time as many as one hundred and seventy-five students, with an endowment of fifty thousand dollars. Then it fell, and all was lost that was invested in buildings, lands, and endowment, with a heavy debt left hanging over the church, weighing down upon us like an incubus. It then took its flight to the little mountain town of Walhalla, we suppose to recuperate its wasted strength. There it struggled and struggled for life. Many gave it up as dead, and turned away from the painful sight. A few stood by it, nursed it, prayed for it, and made sacrifices for it, and among those few, over and above all others, its former President, the Rev. Dr. Smeltzer, was more constant in his watchings, more earnest in his prayers, and more

willing to undergo all kinds of privations for its welfare, and to him, more than to any other individual, does Newberry College owe its present state of prosperity and usefulness. In consideration of such self-denial and constant labor, extending over a period of more than fifteen years, he eminently deserves the united thanks of the whole church, and for which he will be kindly remembered long after his body has been laid in the grave. The heavy debt has been completely and honorably wiped out—twenty-two active, well educated young men have been sent forth from it as graduates. Its old friends at Newberry, lead by the indefatigable pastor of the Lutheran Church in that place, the Rev. H. W. Kuhns, at a late session of our Synod aroused themselves to secure its permanent location, and, as an evidence of their first love for the institution, have torn away the old walls and raised upon the ruins thereof the walls of another building which, when completed, will not only be strong and substantial, but beautiful, magnificent and commodious. How it saddened the heart of the passer-by, a friend of education and a lover of our Lutheran Zion, to behold on that beautiful eminence the once magnificent college building crumbling away piece by piece. Now, how it gladdens all such hearts to see there, upon that same sacred old spot, another beautiful and grand building being erected. May her walls stand, and be a joy and blessing to our church, to our land and country for generations to come.

By the active, untiring energy of the College Agent, the Bachman Endowment has been raised to about twelve thousand dollars, and when the church becomes properly aroused on this important subject, that amount will be doubled and trebled. The friends of the institution are not only being multiplied, but are becoming more and more active, and appear to see now, more than at any other time, the great importance of our church in this State, having an institution ably manned and amply endowed of her own. Certainly, all things considered, there never was a time in the history of our college when she had a more joyful outlook and prosperous future as at present. Out of debt, with an able faculty, with an increasing endowment, a beautiful building, paid for and located in a healthy region of country, and among an hospitable people, and our mistakes and errors of the past set up as beacon lights to guide us safely on in the future. Surely, if we do not succeed under such favorable circumstances, we deserve to fail. But fail we never can, if the whole church will now stand united and work hand in hand. "A long pull, a strong pull, a pull all together" will make our college what we most heartily desire—an honor to our church, and the pride and joy of all her sons and daughters.

The commencement, held at Walhalla in June last, is said to have eclipsed in many respects all others. Four young men were graduated, and received the honorary degree of A. B.

The Board of Trustees held several meetings in the Town of Walhalla during commencement week, and the following is the business of importance that was transacted:

The entire faculty resigned, and the resignation of each was accepted. The following new faculty was elected to the positions named according to the newly arranged schedule of chairs as adopted by the Board:

Rev. W. S. Bowman, D. D., President and Professor of Mental, Moral and Political Science.

Rev. Geo. W. Holland, Vice-President and Professor of the Greek and Latin Languages and Literature.

Mr. D. Arrington, Professor of Mathematics, Natural Philosophy and Astronomy.

Dr. O. B. Mayer, Sr., Professor of Chemistry, Geology, and Botany, and Lecturer on Physiology and Hygiene.

Rev. J. F. Probst, Professor of Modern Languages and Literature.

Rev. S. P. Hughes, Professor of History and English Literature and Belle Lettres.

Mr. G. D. Haltiwanger, Principal of the Preparatory Department and Adjunct in Mathematics.

Mr. G. B. Cromer, Assistant in Preparatory Department and Adjunct in Ancient Languages.

The salary of President was fixed at.....	$1,200
That of Vice-President was fixed at.....	1,000
That of Professor of Mathematics was fixed at...	1,000
That of Principal Preparatory Dep't was fixed at.	600
That of Assistant Prin. Prep. Dep't was fixed at.	450

Professor Probst's salary was left to be provided for by Synod and a resolution was adopted providing for a pro rata division among the Professors, according to the salaries as fixed above, of all tuition for the present scholastic year and all the available Endowment interest, and exempting the Board from all responsibility for any deficiency.

Rev. Prof. Holland, Prof. D. Arrington, Dr. O. B. Mayer, Mr. G. D. Haltiwanger, and Mr. G. B. Cromer have accepted the position to which each was elected, and have entered upon their duties. Rev. J. F. Probst, for the want of something more definite in regard to the fixing and payment of his salary, declined the position tendered him, but in a very kind letter assured the Board and Synod that he has been, and will ever be, a friend to the college. Dr. O. B. Mayer, in addition to his other duties, is teaching the German Language with entire acceptibility.

The exercises of the institution are conducted for the present in two upper rooms, large and airy enough, but on the public street, and owing to this, perhaps, more than to anything else, the

number of students is not as large as what was expected, there being twenty-four in the collegiate department and about the same number in the preparatory department. In a few months the college building will be completed, and it is believed that then quite a number of new students will enter the institution. Our professors are working with an energy, and under the management of so able a faculty, we have no doubt, if the church will fully co-operate with them, of the complete success of our college.

It will be necessary for you at this meeting to make arrangements for procuring from the Legislature of this State a new charter for the institution.

J. A. Sligh,
Secretary of Board of Trustees of Newberry College.

The Committee on President's Report presented their report, which was received, considered by items, and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

The report of our past President furnishes abundant proof of his faithful and judicious performance of his official obligation and duties; and while every portion of the report deserves the attention of Synod, your committee respectfully beg leave to present the following items as requiring Synodical action at this convention.

1. The death of Rev. Paul Derrick. We recommend that the President's suggestions be carried out.

2. We propose the reference of this item to the Committee on Excuses.

3. Vacant churches. We move its reference to the proper committee.

4. General Synod. We recommend that the elections of delegates to the General Synod be held during this convention.

5. Bible Distribution and the Lutheran Visitor.—

Resolved, That this body heartily coincides with the views of the President, and herewith pledges itself faithfully to promote the increased circulation, both of the Bible and of the Visitor.

Respectfully submitted,

A. R. Rude.
J. D. Bowles.
J. Bookhardt.

Under item first, the following committee was appointed: Rev. J. Hawkins, W. S. Bowman, and J. D. Bowles.

Revs. W. S. Bowman, J. A. Sligh and S. P. Hughes were appointed a committee on a letter from Rev. J. P. Smeltzer, D. D.

The Committee on letters 1, 2, 3 and 4 reported.

COMMITTEE ON LETTERS AND EXCUSES.

Your committee beg leave to report that the papers placed in their hands are—

1. A letter from Rev. Z. Bedenbaugh, accompanied by his parochial report, and also his report on the state of religion in the Newville Church, at Prosperity, S. C. In his letter he says: "I regret that circumstances are such that I cannot meet with you this year," and asks to be excused for his non-attendance. Your committee recommend that he be excused.

2. Is a letter from Rev. Dr. Smeltzer, in which he asks to be excused for his non-attendance at this meeting of our Synod. The reasons assigned are: "My school demands my presence, and my means are too limited to pay expenses." Your committee recommend that he be excused.

3. Is a letter from Rev. D. P. Camman, of Troy, Ill., in which he asks to be excused for not attending the present meeting of Synod, on the ground that the distance is too great, and the expense would be too heavy. Your committee recommend that Brother Camman be excused.

4. Is an interesting letter from Rev. Dr. Repass, addressed to Synod, through Brother Shirey. This letter is accompanied by a brief report on the Theological Seminary. We recommend that the letter and report be read before Synod, and that the report be printed in our minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. Probst.

The report was considered by items, and adopted.

The Committee on the Report of the Treasurer of Synod reported. The report was received and adopted.

P. E. WISE IN ACCOUNT WITH THE SYNOD OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

1876—Dr.		
October 10—Cash in hands of Treasurer	$ 14	74
October 10—Received congregational contributions at St. Stephen's Church, Lexington, S. C	605	48
October 10—Received Rev. H. W. Kuhns	10	00
October 10—Received Mrs. Harman	1	50
November 4—Received St. Peter's Church	3	00
December 30—Received Rev. C. P. Boozer's charge	9	51
1871.		
January 5—Received of Rev. Dr. Bowman, Ladies Sewing Society	20	00
January 5—Received Newville Church	10	00
January 31—Received St. John's Church, Charleston	46	85
February 5—Received St. Matthew's Church	8	00
February 5—Received Beth Eden Church	8	00
February 5—Received Liberty Hill Church	4	00
	$741	08

P. E. WISE IN ACCOUNT WITH THE SYNOD OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

1876.	Cr.
October 14—Paid Rev. Hallman	$ 11 75
October 14—Paid Rev. Hawkins	5 50
October 14—Paid Mr. J. F. Schirmer	13 00
October 14—Paid Rev. Sligh	7 50
October 14—Paid Rev. Bailey	13 60
October 18—Paid Rev. Wingard	25 60
October 28—Paid J. Q. Werts, Beneficiary	47 00
October 28—Paid J. W. S. Sheppard, Beneficiary	48 00
October 28—Paid William Stoudemier, Beneficiary	46 15
October 28—Paid M. O. J. Kreps, Beneficiary	23 00
October 28—Paid J. P. Hawkins, Beneficiary	35 00
October 28—Paid express on money	85
December 1—Paid for Printing Minutes	125 00
1877.	
January 18—Paid J. W. S. Sheppard, Beneficiary	48 64
January 18—Paid J. Q. Werts, Beneficiary	48 64
January 18—Paid William Stoudemier, Beneficiary	48 64
January 18—Paid M. O. J. Kreps	24 32
January 18—J. P. Hawkins	34 76
January 18—Paid express on money	1 00
January 18—Express on Minutes	1 25
February 1—Paid J. W. S. Sheppard, Beneficiary	10 17
February 1—Paid William Stoudemier, Beneficiary	10 16
February 1—Paid J. Q. Werts, Beneficiary	10 16
February 1—Paid M. O. J. Kreps, Beneficiary	5 09
February 1—Paid J. P. Hawkins, Beneficiary	7 27
March 17—Paid J. W. S. Sheppard, Beneficiary	4 75
March 17—Paid J. Q. Werts, Beneficiary	4 75
March 17—Paid William Stoudemier, Beneficiary	4 25
March 17—Paid J. P. Hawkins, Beneficiary	3 40
March 17—Paid M. O. J. Kreps	2 37
June 27—Paid Rev. J. P. Smeltzer for Registered Letter	13
Beneficiary	20 00
Balance	48 68
	$740 88

St. Matthew's, October 18, 1877.

The committee appointed to examine the Report of the Treasurer of the Synodical Fund, Major P. E. Wise, have compared it with the accompanying vouchers, and found it to be correct.

Edward T. Horn,
Thomas D. Buzhardt,
Jacob F. Schirmer,
Committee.

The Committee on the Report of the Corresponding Secretary reported as follows: Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Your committee beg leave to submit the following report: We have carefully examined the papers placed in our hands, in connection with the Corresponding Secretary's Report, and find nothing therein claiming the attention of Synod; only a request from Mr. Whittle that a receipt be sent to him for money already received from him by this body. He assures the Corresponding Secretary that as soon as the desired receipt reaches his hands he will be ready to forward the balance of the money claimed by Synod. We recommend that the desired receipt be fowarded at once by the Treasurer of Synod, and that he instruct Mr. Whittle to forward to him, without delay, a draft for the balance of money which he owes to Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

A. D. L. Moser,
B. F. Berry,
Jacob Setzler.

REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

Your Corresponding Secretary would report as follows:

1. I sent a copy of our Minutes to each of our corresponding synods, and have reserved two copies for the General Synod.

2. The only Minutes received in return is a copy of the proceedings of the Georgia Synod, which is herewith placed at your disposal.

3. The duty assigned to me at last meeting of Synod, of writing to Rev. D. P. Camman in regard to dismissal from this body; to Major J. P. Kinard, Mr. W. A. Cline, Capt. A. P. Pifer, and others, for their kindness in releasing their claims against our college; to the officers of Mt. Calvary Church, and to Rev. Dr. Muller. All of said duty has been discharged.

4. I wrote to Rev. M. Whittle concerning his indebtedness to Synod for money ($206 25) advanced him for his education. He answers that so soon as Synod sends him a receipt for what has already been paid, he will be ready to refund the remainder. His letter is placed at your disposal.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Kuhns,
Corresponding Secretary.

The Agent of the Endowment Fund reported.

The report was referred to a commtttee, consisting of Rev. E. T. Horn, Mr. B. Lucas, and Mr. G. T. Berg.

The following report on a letter from the Rev. J. P. Smeltzer, D. D., was read and adopted:

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE, No. —.

The document placed in our hands is a communication from Rev. Professor J. P. Smeltzer, D. D., announcing the organization of an institution of learning bearing the chartered name of "Walhalla Female College," your committee recommend the following:

Resolved, That we have heard with great pleasure of the establishment of an institution where the daughters of our people can be educated in a healthful climate, and under competent instructors and efficient discipline:

Resolved, That we recommend this enterprise to the sympathy and patronage of our people.

Respectfully submitted,

W. S. Bowman,
J. A. Sligh,
S. P. Hughes.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That it is with pleasure that we have heard the report of Dr. Repass on the Theological Seminary, and that we rejoice in the evident success of this institution under its present management. But, whereas there is a manifest necessity, arising from the best interests of the students, no less than of the church, and the reputation of the Seminary, that the institution be supplied with another professor; therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is the deliberate and decided conviction of this Synod that the time has come when we should *demand* that our sister Synods in the General Synod South shall, with the least possible delay, furnish the aforesaid professor. To our pledges formerly made we stand fast; but desire it to be understood by our sister Synods interested that it was our understanding that they would, with as little delay as possible, support a second professor whilst we support the first.

Resolved, That the foregoing resolutions be brought to the attention of the other Synods interested, by our Corresponding Secretary.

Resolved, That we have learned with pleasure that Rev. Edwin A. Bolles is honorably and usefully employed within our bounds, and that we shall thus be able to retain him in our Synod, with which he has so long been connected.

REPORT ON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The present session of our Seminary opened on the 6th of September under encouraging auspices. There are now twelve students under our immediate instruction, one other being expected to enter in a few days. Of this number six have been admitted at the opening of the present session. These young men have all received collegiate training, are of excellent Christian character, and possess good natural ability.

In the instruction of these young men we are receiving valuable aid from Rev. T. W. Dosh, D. D., and Professor S. C. Bittle, A. M.—the former in the Department of Biblical Archæology, the latter in that of Hebrew.

We are gratified at being able to report the Seminary in a condition so encouraging. The blessing of God is manifestly resting upon it. Neither is this conclusion based wholly upon these external marks of prosperity. Our convictions are very decided that this Seminary meets an imperative want in our church South. What the cause of Christ so manifestly demands, He will bless. With continued reliance upon Him, and the earnest co-operation of all our Synods, this Seminary will become an agency of incalculable good to our dear Zion.

The demand for an increase in the number of devoted and well trained ministers is urgent. Whatever differences of opinion upon this subject may exist in other quarters, in the Lutheran Church South there can be but one sentiment, and that finds expression in the prayer for an increase of laborers. And here, as in all else pertaining to Christianity, he who prays in faith follows prayer by earnest personal endeavor. Our churches have a most important duty to perform in this connection. The claims of this office should be earnestly and persistently pressed upon the consideration of young men. God calls men to this work through means. The operations of the Spirit are no more direct in this call than in the call to repentance and faith. The teachings of the Divine Word, enforced by a living church, is God's agency for moving upon the hearts of the people. If that word be rightly divided, the Spirit of Truth will perform his office in providing laborers.

S. A. Repass,
Professor of Theology.

The Committee on letters 5, 6 and 7 reported as follows: Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LETTERS No. 4, 5 AND 6.

Your committee, to whom were referred Letters No. 4, 5 and 6, would report, that the papers placed in our hands are letters

from Messrs. S. B. Pickens, A. Pope and T. Dodamead, officers respectively of the South Carolina, Charlotte, Columbia and Augusta, and Greenville and Columbia Railroads, granting to members of this Synod permission to pass over their roads at a reduced rate. Your committee recommend the following:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be tendered to the above named gentlemen for the courtesy specified in their communications.

Respectfully submitted,

S. T. Hallman,
D. Kyser,
John J. Taylor.

Resolved, That, according to the resolutions of last year, instructing the Treasurer of the Endowment Fund to pay the interest of monies in his hands to the faculty of College for their services, he be instructed to do so forthwith. And that he be instructed to pay like monies accruing during the present scholastic year to the said faculty for similar professional services.

O. L. Schumpert, Esq., was excused from further attendance at this meeting of Synod.

Synod adjourned to 9½ o'clock A. M. on to-morrow.

Prayer by Rev. H. W. Kuhns.

FOURTH SESSION.

October 19, 1877.

Synod was called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. J. D. Bolles. The Minutes of the previous session were approved.

Rev. J. H. Zimmerman, of the M. E. Church South was received as an advisory member.

The following were elected members of the Board of Trustees of Newberry College: Rev. H. W. Kuhns, Rev. J. A. Sligh, Rev. W. S. Bowman, D.D., Rev. J. Hawkins, Rev. S. T. Hallman, Rev. J. D. Shirey, Rev. E. T. Horn, Rev. H. S. Wingard, Mr. T. W. Holloway, Major P. E. Wise, Mr. William Haltiwanger, Hon. G. Leaphart, Captain O. L. Schumpert, Mr. C. Ehrhardt, Hon. H. A. Meetze, Hon. C. H. Suber, Captain G. S. Hacker, Y. J. Pope, Esq.

Rev. J. F. Probst was elected delegate, and Rev. S. P. Hughes alternate to the Georgia Synod; Rev. C. P. Boozer, delegate, and Rev. J. Hawkins, alternate, to the Tennessee Synod; and Rev. A. R. Rude, D. D.. delegate, and J. D. Shirey, alternate, to the North Carolina Synod.

The report of the Committee on the Report of the Endowment Agent was received, considered by items, and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF ENDOWMENT FUND AGENT.

Tho committee appointed to examine the Report of the Agent of the Bachman Endowment Fund respectfully report that they have examined his accounts, and find them to be correct. They also recommend to the Synod the following:

1. The Synod commends the Agent of the Bachman Endowment Fund for his faithfulness and zeal.
2. The Synod directs Brother Hughes to certify to the Treasurer of the Endowment Fund all the names of cash contributors, with the amounts they have severally contributed, which the Treasurer is hereby requested to enter upon his book; and the Agent shall also render to the Treasurer a receipt for the amount of his salary.
3. Inasmuch as some charges have not yet had an opportunity to contribute to the Endowment Fund, the Synod hereby resolves to continue the Agency for another year.
4. Brother Hughes is requested to accept the agency for the coming year.
5. The Agent shall, during the coming year, deliver to the Treasurer of the Endowment Fund all the monies contributed, whether cash or bonds.
6. Synod shall provide for the payment of the Agent at the rate of Six Hundred Dollars per annum, with necessary expenses of the Agency.

Respectfully,

Edward T. Horn,
B. Lucas,
G. T. Berg,
Committee.

REPORT OF ENDOWMENT AGENT.

As ordered by the committee appointed by this body to direct and advise with the Agent, I began operations in the interest of the Endowment at as early a day as practicable, in the charge of Rev. S. T. Hallman, Orangeburg County, S. C. Below we give the different pastorates and churches we have visited in order, and the amounts collected in each.

NAMES.	BONDS.	CASH.	TOTAL.	PAST'ES
Rev. S. T. Hallman..	$ 1,535	$ 191 15	$ 1,726 15	No. 2
Rev. J. H. W. Werts.	1,250	123 10	1,373 10	No. 3
Rev. J. B. Haskell...	20	13 25	33 25	No. —
Rev. J. A. Sligh.....	2,195	60 45	2,255 45	No. 11
Rev. H. S. Wingard.	1,590	37 70	1,607 70	No. 10
Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh	560	4 25	564 25	No. —
Rev. Edward T. Horn	1,760	462 50	2,222 50	No. —
Rev. W. S. Bowman, D. D	240	165 50	405 50	No. —
Rev. L. Muller, D. D.		101 66	101 66	No. —
Rev. J. D. Bowles....	680	43 20	723 20	No. 12
Rev. J. D. Shirey.....	1,105	13 70	1,118 70	No. 13
Rev. A. W. Lindler..	20	1 10	21 10	No. —
	$10,955	$1,217 56	$12,172 56	

Expenses for printing bonds, and the purchase of the necessary books, paper, envelopes, &c..... $ 25 00
Paid self..... 1,000 00

Total Expenses..... $1,025 00
Balance cash in hand of Agent..... $ 192 56
Turned over to Endowment Treasurer, in bonds..... 10,765 00
Bonds on hand to be turned over to the Endowment Treasurer..... $ 190 00

Total amount collected in bonds..... $10,955 00

Respectfully submitted,
S. P. Hughes,
Agent.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1½ o'clock P. M.

Synod was called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. Professor G. W. Holland.

Rev. A. D. L. Moser, Rev. D. Shealey, and Mr. G. T. Berg were excused.

The following delegates to General Synod were elected:

PRINCIPALS.		ALTERNATES.	
Rev. J. H. Honour, D.D.	30	Rev. H. W. Kuhns	25
Rev. J. Hawkins	30	Rev. G. W. Holland	22
Rev. W. S. Bowman, D.D	29	Rev. H. S. Wingard	21
Rev. A. R. Rude, D. D.	27	Rev. E. T. Horn	20
Rev. J. A. Sligh	27	Rev. J. F. Probst	17

LAY DELEGATES.

Captain G. S. Hacker	34	T. W. Holloway	21
B. Lucas	26	U. B. Whites	20
Jacob Schirmer	23	Hon. G. Leaphart	19
P. E. Wise	23	O. L. Schumpert	17
G. T. Berg	21	Jacob Rawl	17

The Committee on Minutes of Last Meeting of Synod reported. The report was received and considered by items.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINUTES.

Your committee beg leave to report the following:

On page 36 we find a resolution as follows:

"*Resolved*, Every member of this body make renewed and special efforts during the present Synodical year to extend the circulation of the paper (Lutheran Visitor.)"

Has this been done?

On page 38 we find a resolution requiring all our pastors "to preach a centennial sermon on the Sunday nearest the 31st October, (Reformation Day,) or as soon thereafter as possible."

Has this been done?

On page 39 we find the following:

"*Resolved*, That hereafter any minister accepting of a charge within our bounds, shall not, under penalty of being censured by Synod, enter upon his labors until the charge shall have made a satisfactory settlement with the former pastor, and that this shall be considered the standing rule among us, and printed on the face of our Minutes from year to year."

Your committee would here ask if any minister has infringed this rule.

On page 45, certain pledges were called for and made for the support of beneficiaries.

Have these pledges been paid ?

Respectfully submitted,

J. Bachman Haskell,
A. D. L. Moser,
J. R. Bouknight.

Item 1. Answered—"In part."

Item 2. Answered—Yes; with few exceptions.

Item 3. Answered—None.

Item 4. Answered—In part.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be directed to call upon all those who are in arrears for payment, whether they be in arrears for the last or previous years.

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to collect all the standing resolutions of Synod, to be presented at the next meeting of Synod for revision.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this body that when more churches than one constitute a pastorate, and when said pastorate is divided by the territorial lines of Conferences, that a majority shall in all cases determine to what Conference the charge shall belong, regardless of the place where the pastor may reside; and that when the number of congregations is equally divided between any two conferences, the location of the parsonage or residence of the minister in charge shall determine the conferential connection of the charge.

The Committee on Pastoral Districts presented their report, which was received. considered by items, and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PASTORAL DISTRICTS.

Your Committee on Pastoral Districts beg leave to make the following report:

No. 1 is a petition, signed by the Councils of Union, Salem, Luther Chapel and St. Peter's Lutheran Churches, Lexington County, S. C., asking permission of this body to unite themselves into one charge.

Your committee recommend that their request be granted, and that the charge be known as the Leesville Pastorate, No. 6.

No. 2 is a petition from the Elders of Bethlehem Church, asking to be liberated from Pastorate No. 1, assigning two reasons—First, That they had preaching only once a month. Second, Because the religious training of their children was neglected.

Your committee recommend that their request be not granted.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. Bowles,
D. Kyser,
Jacob C. Rawl.

The following committee to examine bonds of treasurers was appointed:

Rev. J. A. Sligh, Mr. R. T. C. Hunter, Mr. G. F. Long, Mr. B. Lucas, and Captain G. S. Hacker.

Resolved, That the payment of the Agent of the Bachman Endowment Fund shall be made quarterly, by the Treasurer of said fund, and shall be paid from the cash payments collected by the Agent.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Endowment Fund is hereby authorized to consolidate the two accounts which he now has separate.

The following persons were nominated for the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary:

PRINCIPALS.	ALTERNATES.
Rev J. H. Honour, D. D.	Rev. A. R. Rude, D. D.
Rev. J. Hawkins.	Rev. J. A. Sligh.
Rev. W. S. Bowman, D. D.	Rev. H. W. Kuhns.
Mr. J. F. Schirmer.	Captain G. S. Hacker.
Mr. U. B. Whites.	Capt. O. L. Schumpert.

Resolved, That the Secretary of Synod be ordered to prepare a new Parochial Table, and report the same at the next Synodical meeting.

The following was presented, to be acted on at the next meeting of Synod.

Resolved, That the last sentence of Article 2 of Chapter V of the Constitution, beginning, "Their time shall be one year," be struck out.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

Your Committee would report as follows :

1. A letter was received from Rev. C. F. Bansemer asking pecuniary aid to start a German and English Lutheran Church in Savannah, Ga. Aid was not given for want of funds, and for want of sufficient and satisfactory information regarding the enterprise. His letter is submitted.

2. Letters from Rev. B. Kreps and the Church Council at Graniteville, asking aid for that place. Your committee carefully considered the matter and failed to render aid, because of the scarcity of funds ; and because of the fluctuating population of the place, but little hope is entertained of the congregation ever becoming self-sustaining. These letters are submitted.

3. Letters were received from Rev. J. Heiniger and the Church Council of St. John's Church, Atlanta, Ga., applying for missionary aid. I wrote Brother Heiniger that his application would be laid before the Executive Committee, and that he ought to unite with the Georgia or South Carolina Synod, and that then these two Synods might combine in sustaining his mission work. I have since learned that Brother H. has removed to St. Louis, Mo. These letters are at your disposal.

4. A letter from Rev. J. F. Probst is herewith submitted, in which he tenders his resignation as superintendent of missions to take effect at this meeting of synod. Whilst this resignation is based upon his taking charge of Pastorate, No. 1, it is yet hoped that his services may still be retained, to some extent, in taking oversight of our mission points. Our mission work will more fully appear in the report of our superintendent.

Respectfully submitted in behalf of Executive Committee.

H. W. Kuhns, Chairman.

The report of the Committee on Report of the Executive Committee on Missions was received and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

Your committee on the Report of the Executive Committee on Missions, respectfully report that we have examined the same, in connection with the correspondence submitted therewith, and are of opinion that the Executive Committee has discharged its duties faithfully and judiciously.

We regret the resignation of the Rev. J. F. Probst, our Superintendent of Missions, thereby creating a vacancy in this important branch of our Church work. In view of this fact, we recommend that the Executive Committee be instructed to make such

arrangements for our Mission enterprises as in its wisdom may seem best.

We recommend the adoption of the report.

J. D. Shirey,
J. F. Probst,
Jas. E. Rawl.

Resolved, That the committee to confer with Endowment Agent be continued.

The report of the committee on the State of Religion was received and adopted.

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The reports on the state of religion, which come to us from every part of our Synodical District, convince us that, whilst the work of the Lord is prospering in our hands, it is not yet completed, and there is yet "much land to be possessed."

The most universal complaint arises from the financial depression of the times, but this is modified by the fact that it is as much deplored on account of the meagerness of the Lord's treasury as that of the people.

Several complain of serious disadvantages to themselves and to their congregations, on account of the undue geographical size of their pastorates. Increasing prosperity will soon correct this evil. Others are still more oppressed on account of inadequate salaries and unfulfilled promises of payment. When will these congregations learn *that* which some of their brethren in other places glory in, that "*honesty is the best policy* ?"

There is also one noticeable complaint that the *Lutheran Visitor* is not sufficiently circulated. It would be well for the Church if the consciences of other brethren were similarly exercised on the same subject.

But, on the other hand, these reports abound in tokens of progress—in facts which set the seal of God's approbation to the labors of His servants. In a majority of instances the Pastors testify that their people are growing in grace, that they visit the House of God; that they conform more heartily to churchly usages ; that they present their children for baptism, and try to bring them up in the covenant.

The unmistakable interest and increase in Sunday School work is a fast-expanding bud of promise, from which a glorious harvest will result. Several say "the Bible Class is full and interesting." and Jehova says His word shall not return unto Him void.

Our Ministers and people are fast learning that Luther's smaller catechism, which has been used for three hundred and fifty years,

which is used by near fifty millions of people, and which has been translated into twenty odd languages, may be advantageously used in Sunday Schools, and in leading souls to a knowledge of the truth as it is in Jesus.

In a few instances the young come promptly and of their own desire, and seek instruction and confirmation at the hands of their Pastors. In a number of our Churches all the festivals of the Church-year have been properly observed with the most happy results. In other Churches special religious services have been held, resulting in an increase of membership and in the strengthening of believers. In a few instances the extraordinary fidelity and efficiency of Church officers has elicited special mention. In one instance the salary of a Pastor was increased by the voluntary action of a grateful people.

A gratifying number of churches have been built, repaired, refurnished, &c. If the people yield such fruit when parched by the blasts of adversity, what will they not do in the fast-coming days of prosperity.

In several Churches Young Men's Christian Associations have been organized; this is as it should be; all lay evangelization should be under the control of Pastors and Church Councils, and not under the management of roving strangers who are amendable to no recognized ecclesiastical authority.

In summing up the result of these reports we are able to say that our rejoicings are greater than our complaints—our triumphs are in excess of our trials; therefore we will raise our Ebenezer and inscribe upon it "hitherto hath the Lord helped us," and we will go forth with cheerfulness counting Him faithful who hath promised.

W. S. Bowman,
E. Caughman,
D. T. Shumpert.

The committee on appropriations reported.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

Your committee beg leave to report that five young men have applied to the Synod for aid in the prosecution of their studies. We ascertained that the treasurer of Synod has in his hands only about three hundred dollars. This amount is inadequate to meet the demands. Your committee recommend that Synod take such action as in her wisdom is best to meet the wants of these beneficiaries.

Respectfully submitted,

C. P. Boozer,
G. A. Hough,
L. B. Dreher.

The report was referred to the Ministerium.

Hon. G. Leaphart and Mr. S. S. Sheeley were excused.

The committee to confer with the Endowment Agent reported. The report was made the special order for to-morrow.

FIFTH SESSION.

October 20, 1877.

Synod was called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. J. H. Bailey.

The special order of the hour was considered.

The report was recommitted.

Capt. G. S. Hacker was excused.

The Committee on Memoirs reported.

The report was adopted by a rising vote.

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTE ON MEMOIRS.

Since our last annual convention it has pleased the great Head of the Church to call one of our number from the labors of the church militant, to the rest and the rewards of the church triumphant in heaven. On the 16th day of January, 1877, Rev. Paul Derrick departed this life in the full assurance of that faith which he had so zealously preached during his ministry. He was a graduate of the Classical and Theological Seminary at Lexington, S. C., and was licensed to preach in the year 1858, and ordained in 1860. His first pastoral charge was Mt. Lebanon and St. Matthews Church in which we are now convened. After a faithful term of service here he removed to St. Marks, Corinth, and Trinity in Edgefield County, S. C., where, with failing health he continued to labor until a wasting consumption removed him from earth at the early age of *Forty-seven years and five months.*

The life and ministry of Rev. Derrick presents to us the edifying example of a man fully consecrated to his work—"instant in season and out of season, serving the Lord." Disdaining all pedantic and sensational display, the gospel trumpet gave no uncertain sound from his lips. And having been faithful unto death it is our comfort in our bereavement, that he has received a crown of life. His sun having gone down while it was yet noon, is a significant admonition to us to be ready for a like summons.

Respectfully submitted,

W. S. Bowman,
J. Hawkins,
J. D. Bowles.

Synod took a recess to hear the missionary address, which was delivered by Rev. J. F. Probst.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Prayer by Rev. B. F. Berry.

Resolved, That the Executive Committee be instructed to appropriate to Richmond Mission all funds in the hands of the treasurer of the mission fund not needed for home work during the current Synodical Year.

The following report was received, considered by items, and adopted.

COMMITTEE NUMBER.

Your committee, to whom was referred letters number seven and eight, would respectfully report that the documents placed in our hands, are :

1st. A petition from the Elders of the Church at Dean Swamp asking $100 from our mission funds to enable them to secure the services of the Rev. B. Kreps for the year 1878.

The committee recommend that the amount requested be paid to Rev. B. Kreps for said services for the time specified.

2d. A petition signed by twenty-seven persons residing in Charleston, requesting that "Synod appoint a German Missionary to labor in connection with our Lutheran Ministers of Charleston and vicinity."

The committee appreciate the Church love and religious zeal of these brethren, and commend them for their deep interest in the cause of Christ, but regretting the want of funds at our disposal, the committee move that this matter be referred to the Executive Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Kuhns,
S. P. Hughes,
M. K. Holman.

The following are Executive Committee of missions :

Rev. J. Sligh,
Rev. H. W. Kuhns,
Rev. H. S. Wingard,
Rev. Prof. G. W. Holland,
Capt. O. L. Schumpert,
Mr. U. B. Whites,
Mr. W. W. Honseal.

Rev. E. T. Horn was appointed to preach the missionary sermon at the next meeting of Synod, with Rev. J. B. Haskell as alternate.

Rev. C. F. Bansemer was appointed to preach the sermon on education, with Rev. A. R. Rude as alternate.

The committee appointed to procure an agent to forward the work of the Endowment Fund, reported the following :

We have conferred with Rev. S. P. Hughes. He agrees to accept the agency at the rate of $600 per year, and his expenses paid ; provided that he be permitted to operate as, and where, in his judgment, he may deem best, with the approval of committee of reference.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Synod be tendered by the president to this congregation, after the services to-morrow morning, for the hospitable entertainment we have received from the members of the Church and the neighborhood during our stay in their midst.

Resolved, That the secretary acknowledge, with thanks, the reception of manuscript copy of Constitution of Synod from Rev. J. B. Anthony.

Resolved, That the progress of the work on the College Building at Newberry is a source of gratification to this Synod, and that we fully appreciate the economy and financial ability and earnest efforts of the building committee to give to our Synod a college building that will be an honor to our Church, and that in all things we will aid to the utmost of our ability.

One hundred and fifty dollars were appropriated to Messrs. Stoudemire, Werts, Hawkins and Kreps, and sixty-five dollars to Mr. Shepherd. The report of committee on appropriation was adopted.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to assess the several charges so as to raise the amount of $400 for beneficiary support.

Committee—Revs. J. A. Sligh and J. Hawkins, and Major P. E. Wise.

Resolved, That the minutes of the extra convention of Synod held at Newberry, S. C., be published with the minutes of the present convention, and that one thousand copies be published.

Resolved, That when Synod adjourns, it adjourns to meet in Mount Pleasant Church, Barnwell County, S. C., on Tuesday before the second Lord's day in November, 1878.

The following committee was appointed to aid the Endowment treasurer in investing the funds in his hands :

Messrs. D. B. Wheeler, W. A. Cline and Prof. G. W. Holland.

The following assessment was made :

Rev. B. Kreps' charge	$ 5 00
" J. F. Probst's charge	15 00
" S. T. Hallman's charge	15 00
" H. W. Kuhn's charge	20 00
" J. H. W. Werts' charge	15 00
" Newville charge	10 00
" J. H. Bailey's charge	15 00
" E. Caughman's charge	10 00
" D. Kyser's charge	10 00
" W. S. Bowman's charge	25 00
" D. Sheeley's charge	5 00
" E. T. Horn's charge	30 00
" C. P. Boozer's charge	20 00
" L. Muller's charge	40 00
" A. D. L. Moser's charge	15 00
" H. S. Wingard's charge	20 00
" J. A. Sligh's charge	25 00
" A. W. Lindler's charge	5 00
" J. D. Bowles' charge	25 00
" J. D. Shirey's charge	20 00
" J. H. Honour	5 00
" S. P. Hughes	10 00
" B. F. Berry	5 00
" J. B. Haskell	5 00
" J. Hawkin	25 00
" G. W. Holland's	5 00
" A. R. Rude, D. D.	20 00
Mr. J. B. O'N. Holloway	5 00

Resolved, That a copy of the minutes of the Synod be sent to each member of the Georgia Synod.

The following committee was appointed to receive the College Building when complete—Rev. A. R. Rude, D. D., Rev. J. A. Sligh, Hon. G. Leaphart, Mr. G. Dierks and Mr. J. D. Aull.

Prayer by the Rev. J. Hawkins.

Synod adjourned.

LORD'S DAY SERVICES.

Preparatory services conducted by Rev. J. H. Honour, D. D.

Sermon at St. Matthew's by Rev. J. Hawkins, from Haggai, 2 : 7.

Rev. C. P. Boozer preached in the grove from John, 1 : 29.

Sermon at Jericho M. E. Church by Rev. H. S. Wingard, from Neh., 8 : 10.

Sunday School addresses by Rev. W. S. Bowman, D. D., Rev. H. W. Kuhns and Rev. E. T. Horn.

Synod was closed in due form by the President.

H. S. WINGARD,
Recording Secretary S. C. Synod.

SYNODICAL CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED AT ST. MATHEW'S CHURCH, ORANGEBURG, S. C.

Received of Pastorate, No. 10, Pledge for 1876			10 00
Received for Synodical Fund			21 55
Received of Rev. A. D. L. Moser's Charge,			
St. Peter's Church	2 08		
Luther Chapel, (Leesville)	4 15		
			$6 23
Received of Rev. Dr. Rude's Charge,			
Synodical Fund	5 00		
Beneficiary Fund	10 00		
			$15 00
Received of Pastorate, No. 1			4 30
Received of Rev. J. Hawkins'charge,			
St. Andrews' Church	20 00		
St. Michael's Church	45 00		
Bethel Church	15 00		
Mt. Olivet	3 10		
			$83 10
Received of Rev. J. D. Shirey's Charge,			
Beth Eden Church	21 80		
Liberty Hill Church	6 15		
St. Mathew's Church	7 70		
			$35 65

Received of Rev. J. H. Bailey's Charge.
Sandy Run Church..... 10 00
St. Stephen's Church..... 7 80
Providence..... 3 90
——— $21 70

Received of Rev. H. W. Kuhns's Charge, Luther Chapel, Newberry,
Synodical Fund..... 5 00
Beneficiary Fund..... 48 15
——— $53 15

Received of Rev. J. B. Haskell's Pledge for 1876..... 10 00

Received of Rev. S. T. Hallman's Pledge for 1876..... 10 00

Received of Mt. Calvary Church..... 2 00

Received of St. John's Church, Walhalla..... 5 00

Received of Rev. C. P. Boozer's Charge,
St. Mark's Church..... 12 00
Corinth Church..... 3 00
Trinity Church..... 4 00
——— $19 00

Received of Rev. E. T. Horn's Charge,
St. John's, Charleston..... 31 03

Received of St. John's Church, Calk's Road..... 6 00

Received of Rev. S. T. Hallman's Charge..... 27 63

Received of Rev. D. Kiser's Charge..... $11 39

Received of Rev. Dr. Bowman's Charge,
Wentworth Street Lutheran Church..... $86 25

Received of Rev. J. A. Sligh's Charge..... 40 00

Received of Rev. J. D. Bowles' Charge,
Pledge for 1876..... 10 00
Beneficiary Fund..... 15 00
Synodical Fund..... 10 00
——— $35 00

Received of Rev. J. H. W. Werts' Charge,
Trinity Church..... 11 15
Pine Grove Church..... 15 00
——— $26 15

Received of Rev. D. Shealy's Charge..... 6 35

Received of Newville Church..... 10 00

PAROCHIAL REPORT.

MINISTERS AND CHARGES REPORTING.	No. of Congregations	Children Baptised	Rec'd by Baptism	Rec'd by Confirmation	Members	Certificate	Dismissions	Restorations	Excommunication	Suspensions	Communicants	Death of Members	Funerals	Prayer Meetings	Sunday Schools	Teachers	Scholars	Synodical Fund	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Beneficiary Education	Endowment Fund	Local Objects	Salary Promised	Salary Due	No. of Pastorate
Rev. E. Caughman	2	10	4	9	6	0	2	0	0	0	130	1	2	2	2	10	65	$ 2 00	$.	$.....	$ 12 00	$.....	$ 925 00	$ 185 00	$ 102 00	14
Rev. D. Shedley	4	24	0	7	0	1	1	0	0	0	256	1	3	3	3	14	160	6 35	.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	6
Rev. J. H. Bailey	3	10	0	12	1	1	0	1	0	0	306	6	12	0	3	19	116	21 70	5 00	.....	.....	.....	325 00	400 00	175 00	5
Rev. J. H. W. Wertz	2	11	0	5	5	7	2	0	0	0	170	6	8	0	1	2	96	26 15	12 14	6 00	46 21	123 10	00 00	525 00	272 00	3
Rev. J. Hawkins	4	23	0	7	7	2	0	0	0	0	338	5	8	2	4	24	140	83 00	5 00	.....	10 00	.....	150 00	900 00	00 00	9
Rev. W. S. Bowman, D. D	1	59	0	25	2	2	46	0	0	0	223	5	40	2	1	37	330	86 25	15 25	.....	.....	165 50	1402 00	1500 00	.....	..
Rev. J. D. Bowles	2	20	10	23	5	7	0	0	0	1	421	5	9	1	2	13	108	10 00	8 00	5 00	30 00	43 20	38 00	600 00	192 25	12
Rev. J. D. Shirey	3	7	1	7	1	2	0	0	0	0	228	4	4	..	2	8	140	27 65	17 25	9 65	38 00	13 70	13 70	900 00	700 00	13
Rev. A. D. L. Moser	2	6	0	6	4	0	0	0	0	0	60	1	2	2	2	6	37	6 23	.....	.....	12 45	.....	6 50	140 00	46 50	..
Rev. D. Kyser	3	26	0	13	1	2	0	0	0	0	240	2	10	4	3	13	31	10 39	5 00	0 0	0 0	0 0	58 50	135 00	75 00	5
Rev. S. T. Hallman	2	5	0	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	164	2	3	1	2	19	106	14 63	13 00	0 0	54 00	191 15	25 00	650 00	116 00	2
Rev. H. S. Wingard	2	14	0	8	5	4	0	0	0	0	263	7	4	1	3	12	79	21 55	*15 55	0 0	10 00	37 70	15 00	600 00	205 80	10
Rev. C. P. Boozer	3	10	1	6	8	12	0	0	0	0	292	4	7	6	4	17	151	19 00	15 85	0 75	23 50	40 00	20 00	500 00	301 20	7
Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh	1	1	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	81	0	0	1	1	10	44	10 00	8 00	0 0	0 0	4 25	15 00	0 0	00 00	..
Rev. A. R. Rude, D. D	1	17	0	7	4	0	0	0	0	0	114	4	0	7	0	1	13	94	5 00	20 00	0 0	10 00	0 0	230 00	.....	..
Rev. L. Muller, D. D	1	0	0	39	0	0	25	0	0	0	519	0	76	6	1	32	410	25 00	0 0	0 0	0 0	101 66	3000 00	1500 00	.....	..
Rev. J. F. Probst	1	6	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	5	7	1	1	15	100	5 00	29 35	3 74	2 50	0 0	25 00	400 00	.....	..
Rev. E. T. Horn	1	20	1	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	235	5	1	0	1	32	167	31 03	.....	40 00	496 85	462 50	1000 00	2000 00	.....	..
Rev. J. A. Sligh	2	30	0	12	4	2	0	0	0	0	404	7	12	3	2	15	150	5 00	10 00	.....	50 00	60 44	.....	750 00	475 00	11
Rev. H. W. Kuhns	1	10	1	8	4	0	0	0	0	0	130	1	5	1	1	10	70	5 00	10 00	.....	57 15	.....	175 46	1100 00	225 00	..
St. John's [Calk's Road)	1	5	0	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	153	3	0	1	1	6	30	1 50	.....	.....	4 50	.....	.....	150 00	75 00	..
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MINUTES OF THE MINISTERIUM.

FIRST SESSION.

October 16, 1877.

The Ministerium met. Prayer by Rev. J. D. Shirey.

Rev. J. F. Probst from the committee to confer with Rev. A. W. Lindler, reported as follows :

Your committee appointed to confer with Rev. A. W. Lindler, with reference to his application for dismission from this Synod, respectfully report that they have attended to their duty, with this result—Brother Lindler will not renew his application to be dismissed.

J. F. Probst.

SECOND SESSION.

The Ministerium was opened with prayer by Rev. D. Kyser.

The following report was adopted :

The ministers present at the commencement exercises of Newberry College last June, examined the beneficiaries deserving aid from Synod, and are satisfied with the examination.

H. W. Kuhns, Chairman.

Adjourned with the benediction.

THIRD SESSION.

October 19, 1877.

The Ministerium was called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. E. Dufford.

The report referred to the Ministerium was considered, ending the discussion,

The Ministerium adjourned to meet at 9 A. M., to-morrow.

Benediction by the President.

FOURTH SESSION.

October 20, 1877.

The Ministerium was called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. A. R. Rude, D. D.

Resolved, That we recommend the five young men alluded to in the report of committee on appropriation to the continued support of Synod.

STANDING RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That all our beneficiaries hereafter shall be required to qualify themselves to perform all ministerial acts in the German language; that for this purpose they shall study the German language during the collegiate course, and that any beneficiary either failing to comply with this regulation, or not progressing satisfactorily, shall receive no further aid from this Synod.

Rev. A. R. Rude, D. D., Rev. E. T. Horn and W. S. Bowman, D. D., were appointed a committee to hold a colloquium with Mr. D. Schumpert.

Adjourned.

Benediction by the Secretary.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The committee to confer with Mr. D. Schumpert made a verbal report.

Adjourned.

Prayer by Rev. E. T. Horn.

H. S. WINGARD,
Secretary Ministerium S. C. and Adjacent States.

MINUTES

OF THE

EXTRA MEETING OF SYNOD.

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of South Carolina and adjacent States, pursuant to adjournment, according to resolutions adopted at its last Annual Session, convened in Luther Chapel, Newberry C. H., S. C., on Tuesday, April 3d, 1877, and began the business of its called convention.

FIRST SESSION.

TUESDAY, 12 O'CLOCK, M.

Synod was opened by the President, using our established order.

The Secretary called the roll, when the following registry was made :

MINISTERS.	WHEN ENTERED.	POST OFFICE.
Rev. J. H. Honour	1834	Charleston, S. C.
" E. A. Bolles	1835	Columbia, S. C.
" D. P. Camman*	1835	Troy, Ill.
" C. F. Bansemer*	1842	Savannah, Ga.
" E. Caughman	1842	Leesville, S. C.
" D. Shealey*	1844	Spring Hill, S. C.
" A. R. Rude, D. D	1844	Columbia. S. C.
" J. H. Bailey	1846	Lexington, S. C.
" E. Dufford*	1848	Fort Motte, S. C.
" J. P. Smeltzer, D. D	1848	Walhalla, S. C.
" J. F. Probst	1851	Walhalla, S. C.
" J. H. W. Werts†	1852	Fort Motte, S. C.
" B. F. Berry*	1854	Midway, S. C.

*Absent not excused.
†Absent and excused.

MINISTERS.	WHEN ENTERED.	POST OFFICE.
Rev. J. Hawkins	1855	Columbia, S. C.
" W. S. Bowman, D. D†	1856	Charleston, S. C.
" A. W. Lindler*	1856	Leesville, S. C.
" H. W. Kuhns	1858	Newberry, S. C.
" B. Kreps	1860	Graniteville, S. C.
" J. D. Bowles	1861	Prosperity, S. C.
" J. D. Shirey	1861	Newberry, S. C.
" J. A. Sligh	1863	Prosperity, S. C.
" A. D. L. Moser†	1863	Leesville, S. C.
" G. W. Holland	1864	Walhalla, S. C.
" D. Kyzer	1866	Lexington, S. C.
" S. T. Hallman	1868	Orangeburg, S. C.
" H. S. Wingard	1870	Pomaria, S. C.
" C. P. Boozer	1871	Leesville, S. C.
" G. A. Hough	1871	Columbia, S. C.
" Z. W. Bedenbaugh	1874	Prosperity, S. C.
" J. B. Haskell	1875	Orangeburg, S. C.
" S. P. Hughes	1876	Midway, S. C.
" L. Muller, D. D.*	——	Charleston, S. C.
" E. T. Horn*	——	Charleston, S. C.

LAY DELEGATES.	POST OFFICE.
J. W. Dreher	Columbia, S. C.
J. M. Weeks*	Fort Motte, S. C.
G. T. Berg	Columbia, S. C.
A. C. Moyer*	Ridge Spring, S. C.
B. Rawl	Rocky Well, S. C.
A. T. Younginer*	Lexington, S. C.
J. D. Shealey	Pomaria, S.C.
E. Crout*	Leesville, S. C.
Capt. G. S. Hacker	Charleston, S. C.
J. L. Rast	Orangeburg, S. C.
T. J. Boozer	Prosperity, S. C.
W. H. Dickert	Newberry, S. C.
H. W. Ricard	Newberry, S. C.
T. W. Blease*	Johnston, S. C.
A. H. Wheeler	Prosperity, S. C.
Dr. G. Muller	Sandy Run, S. C.

*Absent not excused. †Absent and excused.

LAY DELEGATES.	POST OFFICE.
Prof. Anton Berg*	Orangeburg, S. C.
C. Ehrhardt	Midway, S. C.
Hon. D. Bieman	Walhalla, S. C.
J. K. Chapman, M. D	Prosperity, S. C.

MEMBERS EX-OFFICIO.

Major P. E. Wise, Treasurer of Synod	Prosperity, S. C.
Mr. J. F. Schirmer,* Treas. of Seminary Fund	Charleston, S. C.
Mr. U. B. Whites, Treas. of Missionary Fund	Prosperity, S. C.
Col. O. L. Schumpert, Treas. Endowment Fund	Newberry, S. C.

The President called for business, but the committee appointed to receive bids for the location of Newberry College answered not ready to report.

Synod took a recess for two hours.

Prayer by Rev. A. R. Rude, D. D.

SECOND SESSION.

TUESDAY, 3 o'clock, P. M.

Synod reassembled, and was opened with prayer by Rev. S. P Hughes.

Rev. J. C. Boyd of the A. R. P. Church, was received as an advisory member.

On motion it was

Resolved, That whereas there are persons present from localities offering bids for the College, who are not members of Synod, but have been appointed to represent their respective communities at this meeting, such gentlemen be received as Commissioners, having the privilege of speech, but no vote.

Under this resolution the following names were registered, viz :

Maj. S. P. Dendy	Walhalla, S. C.
Mr. J. E. Hendrix	Walhalla, S. C.
Hon. H. A. Meetze	Lexington, S. C.
Hon. S. P. Wingard	Lexington, S. C.
Mr. W. J. Asman	Lexington, S. C.
Col. C. H. Suber	Newberry, S. C.
Col. Y. J. Pope	Newberry, S. C.

*Absent not excused.

G. S. Mower, Esq.....Newberry, S. C.
R. L. McCaughran, Esq.....Newberry, S. C.
Capt. R. H. Wright.....Newberry, S. C.
J. C. Wilson, Esq.....Newberry, S. C.
D. B. Wheeler, Esq.....Newberry, S. C.

The following report was presented and adopted :

The committee appointed by this body to receive bids for the permanent location of Newberry College, ask leave to report that they have in their hands sealed bids from the towns of Walhalla, Anderson, Newberry, Prosperity, Columbia and Lexington. We recommend that the committee proceed immediately to open said bids and read them before the body.

J. Hawkins,
H. S. Wingard,
O. L. Schumpert,
J. A. Sligh,
T. W. Holloway.

The bids were found to be in round numbers, viz:

Anderson, $10,000; Walhalla, $13,000; Newberry, $15,800; Prosperity, $15,000; Columbia, $8,000; Lexington, $7,000.

The question of the College was thrown open for discussion.

Rev. Herbert, of the M. E. Church, was received as an advisory member.

Rev. J. D. Shirey was excused for non-attendance on the session of Synod to-morrow afternoon.

Rev. Fair, of the Presbyterian Church, and Rev. Eason, of the Baptist Church, were introduced and received as advisory members.

Pending the discussion, Synod adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock, P. M.

Benediction by the President.

THIRD SESSION.

Tuesday, 8 o'clock P. M.

Synod opened with singing, prayer by Rev. G. W. Holland.

On motion, Rev. Humbert, of the M. E. Church, was received as an advisory member.

Synod entered upon the business of the hour. After much and interesting discussion, Synod adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9 o'clock, A. M.

Prayer by Rev. E. Caughman.

FOURTH SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, April 4th, 9 o'clock, A. M.

Synod convened and was opened with singing, prayer by Rev. Eason.

Letters asking to be excused for non-attendance at this meeting of Synod were read from Revs. W. S. Bowman, D. D. and J. H. W. Werts, and Rev. E. Caughman presented verbally, Rev. A. D. L. Moser's excuse; all of whom were excused.

Synod entered upon consideration of the bids for Newberry College.

Rev. Pritchard, of the M. E. Church, was received as an advisory member.

After thorough discussion, pending the subject, Synod adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock, P. M.

Benediction by the President.

FIFTH SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, 3 o'clock, P. M.

Synod was called to order by the Chair, and opened with prayer by Rev. Herbert.

Rev. W. L. Pressley, of the A. R. P. Church, was received as an advisory member.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That to-morrow, at 9 o'clock, all debate shall cease and Synod enter into a ballot for the location of Newberry College.

After long debate, sifting the subject, Synod adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock, P. M.

Prayer by Rev. W. L. Pressley.

SIXTH SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, 8 o'clock, P. M.

Synod was called to order by the President, with prayer by Rev. D. Kizer.

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of the ministers, delegates and commissioners of the Synod of South Carolina, are due and are

hereby tendered to the citizens of Newberry for the genial welcome, the kind attention, and the generous hospitality extended to us.

The business of the hour was taken up.

After a lively debate, conducted with Christian courtesy, but reaching no conclusion, a motion to adjourn was carried ; pending the subject, Synod adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9 o'clock, A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Pritchard.

SEVENTH SESSION.

THURSDAY, April 5th, 9 o'clock, A. M.

Synod was called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. J. D. Shirey.

Roll was called ; minutes read and approved.

Debate being at an end, the business of the hour was taken up.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the vote be taken by ballot.

Resolved, That the majority of votes decide the location.

Resolved, That the community in which the College shall be located shall have the selection of their own Treasurer of the Building Fund.

On motion of Capt. G. S. Hacker, it was

Resolved, That it be a condition precedent ; that wherever it shall be determined to locate the College, the community so selected be required to furnish a satisfactory guarantee that the money proposed to be given shall be fully paid.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed by this body, who shall determine as to the validity of the guarantee given to us in accordance with above resolution.

The following were appointed a committee, viz—Revs. J. A. Sligh and J. D. Shirey, and Mr. Wm. Haltiwanger.

The ballot was then entered into, which resulted as follows :

FIRST BALLOT.

Anderson, 0; Columbia, 3; Lexington, 6; Newberry, 17; Prosperity, 7; Walhalla, 5; Blank, 1—number of votes, 39.

SECOND BALLOT.

Anderson, 0; Columbia, 0; Lexington, 2; Newberry, 25; Prosperity, 8; Walhalla, 3; Blank, 1—number of votes, 39.

On motion of Rev. J. A. Sligh, it was

Resolved, That the vote be made unanimous, which was adopted by a rising vote.

Newberry C. H. was unanimously chosen.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to take in charge the removal of Newberry College from Walhalla to Newberry C. H., S. C.

The Chair, by direction of the house, appointed the following brethren a committee, under above resolution, viz:

Rev. J. P. Smeltzer, D. D., O. L. Schumpert, Esq. and Mr. D. B. Wheeler.

It was further

Resolved, That the Synod furnish the architect and the plan, and the place securing the location be received to expend the amount of their bond on said buildings, or so much as may be necessary.

Resolved, That a Committee of six be appointed, three from the Synod, and three from the place of location, for the purpose of seeing that the buildings are properly constructed.

The following were nominated and appointed a Committee on the part of Synod, viz : Rev. H. W. Kuhns, Capt. J. P. Aull, and Mr. J. K. Schumpert.

Resolved, That the next session of Newberry College open in the Town of Newberry in September, 1877.

Resolved, That we return the gratitude of our hearts, and recognise the providence of God in our decision, by prayer on bended knees.

Rev. J. H. Honour led in prayer.

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to prepare the minutes of this Session of Synod for publication, and preserve them for insertion in the Minutes of the next regular Session.

On motion, Synod adjourned *sine die*.

Synod was closed with devotional exercises by the President, in regular form.

CORNELIUS P. BOOZER,
Recording Secretary South Carolina, Synod and Adjacent States.

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